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MADRID FOR LEGATT AND RSO

1. SYNOPSIS: AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT ROBERT MCKAY, CANADIAN CITIZEN AND EMPLOYEE OF DART INDUSTRIES, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WAS KIDNAPPED IN LISBON DURING EVENING OF AUGUST 7. MCKAY, A COMPANY AUDITOR, WAS REPORTEDLY KIDNAPPED AFTER JUST COMPLETING AN AUDIT AT LOCAL LISBON OFFICE OF DART INDUSTRIES. NOTE FROM KIDNAPPERS, CONTAINING A PHOTO OF MCKAY WITH BOUND HANDS, ADVISED THAT NO CONTACT WAS TO BE MADE WITH POLICE, UPON THREAT OF MCKAY'S LIFE. NOTE ALSO STATED THAT KIDNAPPERS WOULD CONTACT COMPANY LATER TO PRESENT DEMANDS.

2. DETAILS: ABOVE INFORMATION ORIGINALLY CAME FROM JUSTIN W. DART, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD, DART INDUSTRIES, BY TELEPHONE FROM CANADA. DART INITIALLY INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIED THE VICTIM AS A MR. MCBRIDE, AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. IMMEDIATE SUBSEQUENT FONECON BETWEEN AMBASSADOR AND A MR BARBIRO, DART COMPANY EXECUTIVE IN BRUSSELS, IDENTIFIED THE VICTIM AS MCKAY. NAME AND CANADIAN NATIONALITY WAS CONFIRMED TELEPHONICALLY WITH JUSTIN DART, BARBIRO IS DUE IN LISBON 1900 LOCAL TIME TODAY.

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3. DART INITIALLY CONTACTED AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI, AS DART WAS UNDER IMPRESSION VICTIM WAS AMCIT, AND REQUESTED GUIDANCE. AMBASSADOR STRONGLY ADVISED HIM TO ALERT PORTUGUESE POLICE. DART, HOWEVER, PREFERRED THAT POLICE NOT BE NOTIFIED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH KIDNAPPER'S INSTRUCTIONS. IN SECOND CONVERSATION THE FOLLOWING DAY DART HAD RECONSIDERED ADVICE AND DECIDED

THAT POLICE SHOULD BE CONTACTED.

4. MCKAY WAS DESCRIBED AS 28-29 YEARS OLD. IDENTITY OF KIDNAPPERS UNKNOWN.

5. CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION, PORTUGUESE JUDICIAL POLICE, WAS BRIEFED ON THIS MATTER BY EMBASSY TODAY. EMBASSY HAS ALSO ADVISED CANADIAN EMBASSY.
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